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THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER FROM SUPERVISOR STEVE F. TAYLOR

Dear Friends,

With the holiday season well underway and New Year's right around the corner, I am hopeful that this newsletter finds you and your family both happy and healthy. Once again, life on the Milwaukee County Board is eventful to say the least and I am again reaching out to you to provide updates and highlights of my work as your representative.

We recently finalized the 2015 Budget and I am happy to announce that funding has been provided for road improvements in Franklin and Oak Creek, in addition to major capital initiatives that I authored for Hales Corners Park Pavilion and Pool. My top priority since taking office has been fixing the neglected infrastructure in my district and I will continue doing so as long as I hold this position.



Supervisor Taylor discusses the 2015 budget.

I continue to be thankful for the opportunity to be your elected representative on the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and I promise to continue to work hard every day. As always, please feel free to contact my office with any concerns you may have. All of us have unwanted stresses in our lives and this is the time of year when you realize what is most important to you. I truly hope you and your family have a wonderful holiday season and a prosperous 2015.

As I have stated in the past, it is an honor to serve you and together with your help, I am certain we can continue Moving Milwaukee County *Forward*.

All My Best,

Supervisor Steve F. Taylor, 9th District

Be Sure To Stay In Touch!

Please contact my office by using the "Contact Supervisor Taylor" form located on my website (www.county.milwaukee.gov/Taylor). Fill out all the provided fields and submit your question – we will receive it immediately. It is quick, easy and saves you the cost of postage or a phone call. Feel free to contact my office and offer comments regarding any matter concerning Milwaukee County. Additionally, you may use this form to sign up for my E-Newsletter "Privileged to Serve." The newsletter contains useful information pertaining to my service on the County Board, including highlights of major events, legislation, and much more. You may also e-mail me directly to sign up for the E-Newsletter.

Ensuring The Well-Being of Milwaukee County Seniors

Milwaukee County Commission on Aging Re-Appointment

We are very pleased to report that Supervisor Taylor has been re-appointed by Executive Chris Abele to the Milwaukee County Commission on Aging. The Commission on Aging is a governing and policy making arm of Milwaukee County's Department on Aging and appointed commissioners are responsible for developing and implementing a coordinated human service system of community-based services for Milwaukee County residents aged 60 and older.

Shortly after his initial appointment Supervisor Taylor committed to visiting each one of the Senior Meal Program dining sites that the Department on Aging administers in order to directly familiarize himself with their day-to-day operations. In September 2013, Supervisor Taylor concluded his visits to all 29 meal sites, including the Franklin Senior Citizen Meal Site located in the 9th District.

On June 23rd the Franklin Meal Site proudly celebrated their 10 year anniversary of improving the



Supervisor Taylor addressing attendees of the Franklin Meal Site 10 Year Anniversary celebration

quality of life of seniors by providing nutritious meal options and promoting independent living.

Supervisor Taylor attended the celebration and presented the center with a Certificate of Achievement from his office, wishing the center director, volunteers and the Department of Aging officials continued success and prosperity in the future.

Milwaukee County 2014 Senior Citizen Hall of Fame

On May 23, 2014 the Milwaukee County Department on Aging held its annual Milwaukee County Senior Citizen Hall of Fame Award ceremony. As a member of the Milwaukee County Commission on Aging, Supervisor Taylor attended the event where five outstanding seniors from Milwaukee County who have served the community as volunteers and as advocates on behalf of the elderly were inducted into the Hall of Fame.

The Commission on Aging appoints a committee to review nominations for the Hall of Fame Award. This committee then recommends five seniors from the applicants to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Mr. Fred Knueppel of Franklin was one of the 2014 inductees. He became the third inductee from the City of Franklin, which is extremely proud of his accomplishment. Supervisor Taylor presented Fred with a citation from the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors in honor of this outstanding achievement. His volunteer efforts with the Franklin Seniors, the Lion's Club, Independence First as well as his service on Franklin's Planning Commission, are among many accomplishments that make him worthy of this great honor. Congratulations on your well-earned recognition Fred!



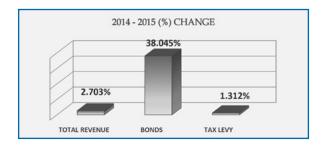
County Executive Abele joined Supervisor Taylor to present Fred Knueppel with the honorary citation.

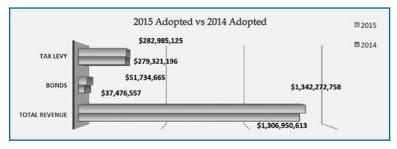
Milwaukee County 2015 Budget Analysis

On October 1, 2014 County Executive Abele introduced his 2015 Milwaukee County Recommended Budget to the Milwaukee County Board. The 2015 Recommended Budget calls for total expenditures of \$1,316,311,910, an increase of \$9,361,296, or 0.7 percent, compared with the 2014 Adopted County Budget. The recommended property tax levy is \$279,321,196, the same as the 2014 levy.

Direct Revenue is Milwaukee County's largest revenue source (\$578.1 million) with the County's Tax Levy coming in second (\$279.3 million). Additionally, State revenue stands at \$261.5 million.

Health & Human Services is Milwaukee County's largest expenditure at \$569.0 million (of which \$285.0 million is for





services administered by the Family Care Managed Care Organization). Transportation & Public Works totals \$279.1 million and Public Safety comes in as the county's third largest expenditure at \$175.5 million.

The proposed budget was amended by the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and adopted on November 3, 2014. The Board rolled back the majority of the County Executive's cuts, adding \$3,950,360 to the tax levy. The County Executive in turn vetoed the amendments and levy increase. The County Board voted to override 24 out of 26 vetoes, leaving the final property tax levy at \$282,985,125. Having voted against the 2015 Adopted Budget and the property tax levy increase, Supervisor Taylor favored the majority of the County Executives vetoes as sustaining them meant holding the line on taxes. Supervisor Taylor did vote to override an Executive veto and restored funding for capital improvements to the Hales Corners Pavilion and Pool, as well as continuing program funding for Nature in the Parks at the Wehr Nature Center.



9th District Event Photos



Firefighter Heather Conway (Main Organizer), Former H.C. Lions President Jim Bain, Supervisor Taylor, H.C. Lions First Vice President Rob Chase, Hales Corners Fire Chief Mike Jankowski, H.C. Lions Club President Ian Thomson and Hales Corners Police Chief Eric Cera.



Supervisor Taylor presenting a citation to Coach Brown, Sabers Athletic Director Sara Unertl and the Senior Captains of the football team.



From the left: Judges Harry Arnold, Gail McDaniel, Dr. Pamela McWilliams, Supervisor Taylor, this year's Scholarship Winner Jamie Nicole Morelan, Judge Bonnie Winfrey, Distinguished Young Women National Representative Joe Stevens, Judges Coordinator Jessica Tiefenthaler, and Alternate Judge Christina Mooren.

9th District Events & Updates

Honoring Jack Bennett



Supervisor Taylor presenting John "Jack" Bennett with an honorary citation for his service at the Milwaukee County Board offices.

At the June 26, 2014 meeting of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, Supervisor Taylor presented Mr. John "Jack" Bennett with a resolution honoring his four-and-a-half decades of service as the Franklin City Engineer.

Mr. Bennett - or Jack as he prefers to be called by his friends - was hired as Franklin City Engineer in July of 1969 after working for the City of Milwaukee as a Civil Engineer, as well as the Assistant City Engineer in West Bend. His expertise allowed him to also serve as the City Engineer for other communities in addition to Franklin.

During his tenure as Franklin City Engineer, Jack demonstrated an unprecedented level of skill in work performance and attitude that has earned him the admiration and respect of his co-workers, elected officials and the public.

As further testament to his excellence, Jack received the prestigious Norman N. Gill Award for Individual Excellence from the Public Policy Forum in 2007.

Congratulations on your retirement, Jack, and we hope you enjoy every moment of it!

Honoring Alyson Dudek



Supervisor Taylor presenting the Milwaukee County Board citation to Alyson Dudek at Hales Corners Park.

Supervisor Taylor recently presented Alyson Dudek – our very own Olympian from Hales Corners – with an honorary citation on behalf of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, honoring her second appearance in the Olympic Games competition as part of Team USA.

Alyson began skating at age seven and has been a Category 1 short track athlete since 2003, a Category 1 long track athlete since 2004 and is currently a member of the U.S. Speed Skating National Short Track Training Program in addition to being a member of the 2010 and 2014 U.S. Speed Skating Olympic Team.

As an exceptional athlete and well-rounded individual, Alyson is also a fast-pitch softball veteran who made the All-Star team, and also ran varsity track for four years.

Keep on making us proud, Alyson!

Honoring former Franklin Mayor Tom Taylor



Supervisor Taylor presenting the Certificate of Recognition to Former Mayor Tom Taylor at the Milwaukee County Board offices.

Supervisor Taylor recently presented former Franklin Mayor Tom Taylor with a Certificate of Recognition from the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors in honor of his outstanding service to the City of Franklin, first as an alderman from April 1999 until September 2002 and most recently as the Mayor from April 2005 until April 2014.

In addition to being an effective mayor, former Mayor Taylor's career is characterized by the fact that he was very active and made sure to attend all of the community events, whether they were sports games, local business related events, or community socials.

Former Mayor Taylor was also elected five consecutive times as the Chairman of the Milwaukee County Intergovernmental Cooperation Council, a body which consists of all Mayors and Village Presidents of nineteen municipalities located within Milwaukee County.

We wish you all the best and hope you enjoy your well-deserved retirement, Tom!

Honoring 9th District Businesses & Organizations

Holz Motors Celebrates 100 Years in Business



Supervisor Taylor honoring Mr. Jerome "Jerry" Holz with an honorary citation.

Supervisor Taylor joined members of the Holz family, their employees and distinguished guests in celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Holz Motors doing business in Hales Corners. Lieutenant Governor Rebecca Kleefisch appeared in person and Governor Walker made a video presentation from his office congratulating the Holz's. Supervisor Taylor presented owner Jerome "Jerry" Holz with an honorary citation on behalf of the Milwaukee County Board.

From their humble beginnings in 1914, when they sold a total of just seven "motor cars", Holz Motors has come to sell and deliver over 4,000 new and used vehicles annually. Holz Motors sells the most new Chevrolets of any Chevrolet dealer in the State - a feat that they have accomplished annually since 1986.

Congratulations on all your success Mr. Holz, we wish you and your family much success in the future!

2014 Business of the Year Award

The South Suburban Chamber of Commerce held its "Annual Awards Dinner" on January 30th at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, celebrating another successful year with its members and guests.

The 2013 recipient of the "Business of the Year Award" was Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare Franklin. Wheaton Franciscan opened its doors in 2008 led by the vision of doing their best to serve Franklin and surrounding communities.

Due to high demand for the quality service provided, within months of opening its doors Wheaton Franciscan added additional inpatient beds, an Intensive Care Unit, a separate orthopedic hospital, and in 2013 opened a 60,000 square-foot medical office building that houses a full spectrum of primary care physicians and specialists. The improvements and expansion will continue through 2014.



Coreen Dicus Johnson and Sheila Gansemer received the County Board Citation from Supervisor Taylor on behalf of Wheaton Franciscan – Franklin.

Boerner Botanical Gardens Celebrates 75th Anniversary



From the left: Roger Boerner (son of Al Boerner who designed the gardens), Ellen Hayward (FBBG President and CEO), Lee Riordan (FBBG Board Chair) and Supervisor Taylor at the Anniversary Celebration

In 2014 Boerner Botanical Gardens celebrated 75 years of bringing "the freshness of the countryside to the doorway of the city". This true gem of the Milwaukee County Parks

System continues to offer gardeners, plant lovers and students the opportunity to enjoy the variety of plant collections that have been part of its many specialty gardens for over seven and half decades.

Supervisor Taylor attended the celebration and presented an honorary citation on behalf of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors to Ellen Hayward, the Friends of Botanical Gardens President and CEO.

Drexel Town Square Ceremonial Ground Breaking



State Senator Larson, Supervisor Taylor and Mayor Scaffidi at the ceremonial groundbreaking.

The April edition of Privileged to Serve newsletter included a report on the development of Drexel Town Square, Oak Creek's newest retail, commercial, residential and civic development, soon to be built on the corner of Drexel and Howell Avenues. Reminiscent of a traditional downtown, the new development will include a real Main Street with a newly constructed City Hall and library on a town square, surrounded by retail stores, restaurants, shops, businesses and apartments.

Supervisor Taylor attended the ceremonial groundbreaking on Saturday, May 12th along with Oak Creek Mayor Steve Scaffidi, State Senator Chris Larson and other elected officials representing Oak Creek. The dignitaries in attendance performed the ceremonial turning of the ground that marked the beginning of this exciting and monumental step for Oak Creek.

2014 Wisconsin State Fair



Supervisor Taylor bumped into Governor Walker during one of the many enjoyable days at this year's Wisconsin State Fair.

9th District Capital Improvements and Road Projects

The 2015 Milwaukee County Budget included a number of capital improvements in the 9th District. Supervisor Taylor's top priority since taking office has been his commitment to fixing his district's failing infrastructure.

Supervisor Taylor put a plan into place in 2012 and as a result there will be more road construction in Franklin and Oak Creek in 2015 that has been long overdue. You may review the schedule of these improvements in the table to the right.

In addition to scheduled road construction Supervisor Taylor also authored an amendment with a zero levy impact for 2015 that appropriates \$525,000 for the replacement of the Hales Corners pool house roof (\$250,000) and the installation of both a new pool liner and plumbing (\$175,000). As the heart of the community, Supervisor Taylor wants to make sure the Hales Corners Pool will remain vibrant for many years to come.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF MAJOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS IN THE 9TH DISTRICT:

- ➤ 2015 South North Cape Road: Hi-View Dr. to Carrol Cir.
- ➤ 2015 Whitnall Park Bridges over Root Rover.
- ➤ 2015 Hales Corners Park Pavilion Roof + Pool Liner
- ➤ 2016 West St. Martins Road: North Cape Rd. to Lovers Lane Rd.
- ➤ 2017 South 13th Street: Rawson Ave. to Drexel Ave.
- ➤ 2017 West Ryan Rd.: 95th Street to 112th Street.
- ➤ 2019 South 13th Street: Drexel Ave. to Puetz Rd.

SHORT-TERM HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE PROJECTS:

- ➤ \$100,000.00 South 13th St.: W. Drexel Ave. to W. Puetz Rd. Hot-In-Place recycling
- ➤ \$260,000.00 West Rawson Ave.: S. North Cape Rd. to S. Hawthorne Ln. Mill and overlay
- ➤ \$60,000.000 West Rawson Ave.: S. 27th St. to S. 20th St. Mill and overlay